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**Applicant's Statements:**


1. This is a first submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. This is express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
3. A copy of the International Application as filed has been transmitted by the International Bureau.

**Enclosed herewith please find the following:**

1. 1 sheet of Title page and 15 sheets of English translation of PCT Application including 10 sheets of Specification, and 4 sheets of original Claims and 1 sheet of Abstract.
2. 11 sheets of Drawings.
3. 17 sheets of Substitute Specification.
4. 21 sheets of Marked Up Compare of Substitute Specification.
5. 29 sheets of PCT Published Application No. WO 2005/060807 A1.
6. 4 sheets of PCT Request (PCT/RO/101).
7. 4 sheets of English translation of Amended Claims.
8. 3 sheets of PCT Search Report performed by EPO.
9. 8 sheets of International Preliminary Examination Report including Amended Claims.

10. 4 sheets of executed Assignment along with 1 sheet of Recordation Cover Sheet and a check in the amount of \$40.00.
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